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(BY DANIEL GILMORE)
WASHINGTON (UPI) -- THE HOUSE ASSASSINATIONS COMMITTEE TODAY
APPROVED A DRASTICALLY REVISED BUDGET OF ALMOST $2.8 MILLION FOR ITS
INVESTIGATIONS THIS YEAR.
THE PANEL THEN WENT INTO PRIVATE SESSION TO HEAR RESULTS OF A
TWO-HOUR INTERVIEW WITH JAMES EARL RAY ON THE KILLING OF MARTIN
LUTHER KING JR.
RAY WAS INTERVIEWED BY STAFF LAWYERS AND INVESTIGATORS YESTERDAY
AT BRUSHY MOUNTAIN PRISON IN TENNESSEE WHERE HE IS SERVING A
99-YEAR SENTENCE AFTER PLEADING GUILTY TO THE KING MURDER.
BEFORE CLOSING ITS HOUSE TO THE PUBLIC, THE COMMITTEE APPROVED A
REVISED $50 BUDGET FOR THE REST OF THIS YEAR TO CONTINUE
INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE ASSASSINATIONS OF KING AND PRESIDENT JOHN F.
KENNEDY.
THE REQUEST, $1.6 MILLION LESS THAN THE PANEL ORIGINALLY ASKED
LAST DECEMBER, WAS CLEARED IN AN EFFORT TO CONVINCE THE FULL HOUSE TO
ALLOW THE COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE ITS PROBE. IF THE HOUSE DOES NOT
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